

RADICAL CHRONICLE

RSS INFORMATION NOTICE

Summer 1999

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Inspections Performed (June-August)

ARS

Akron, CO
Fort Collins, CO
Aberdeen, ID
Boise, ID
Corvallis, OR

FS

Boise, ID
Bend, OR
Eugene, OR
Pendleton, OR

FSIS

Alameda, CA

NRCS

Beckley, WV
Petersburg, WV
Parkersburg, WV

Violations Cited

- ✓ Nuclear gauge transported over public roads with shipping papers did not contain the quantity of radioactive material in the appropriate units.
Shipping papers must identify the quantity of radioactive material in SI units (not millicuries.)
- ✓ Nuclear gauges transported without shipping papers.
Shipping papers must be within reach of the driver of the vehicle in which the gauges are transported.
- ✓ Failure to maintain leak test records.
Leak test records must be maintained for a period of 3 years.
- ✓ Logbooks not maintained for nuclear gauges.
Logbooks must be maintained for nuclear gauges. These logbooks should indicate the name of the user of the nuclear gauge; the duration of use; the location where the gauge was used; and the date the nuclear gauge was used.

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Violations cited (continued)

- ✓ Failure to post NRC-3 "Notice to Employees."
An NRC-3 form must be prominently posted.

Tentative Inspection Schedule

(August-October)

ARS

Manhattan, KS
 Baton Rouge, LA
 New Orleans, LA
 Frederick, MD
 Oxford, MS
 Stoneville, MS
 Coshocton, OH
 Woodward, OK
 College Station, TX
 Kerrville, TX
 Prosser, WA
 Pullman, WA

FS

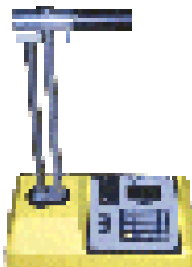
Moscow, ID
 Stoneville, MS
 Delaware, OH
 Elkins, WV

NRCS

Tupelo, MS
 Temple, TX

Nuclear Gauge Disposal

Troxler is currently offering special price breaks for disposal of nuclear gauges. This special price is roughly half the usual cost for disposal of these gauges. This offer is good for a limited time only. If you have gauges that you are not using and have been putting off disposing of them because of the high cost of disposal, now is the time to act! Contact Troxler Electronics, Inc. at (919) 549-8661 for information. Please remember that you must receive written approval from RSS before transferring another gauges to licensee.

**LRPO Training**

Another Location Radiation Safety Officer (LRPO) training class was held in College Station, Texas during the week of June 7-11. Twenty individuals from Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, Agricultural Research Service, and the Forest Service attended the training. These individuals were James Anderson (ARS), Jeffrey Call (ARS), Harris Chang (APHIS), Mary Duke (ARS), Joe Ford (ARS), Raymond Glahn (ARS), David Goldade (APHIS), Steve Greiner (ARS), Jay Hanson (ARS), Susan Hauver (ARS), Kathie Jermstad (FS), Rick Mauldin (APHIS), Dan Palic (ARS), Joseph Pikul (ARS), Douglas Prasher (APHIS), Paul Shirk (ARS), Marie Syapin (ARS), Patricia Tomlinson (FS), Donald Tyler (ARS), and Robert Zablotowicz (ARS). Our congratulations to all of them for the successful completion of this training



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